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Letters of Transmittal



July 2009

His Honour
The Honourable Dr. Gordon L. Barnhart
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan

May it please Your Honour:

As the Minister of Saskatchewan Agriculture, it is my pleasure to submit the annual report for the Agri-Food Council for the year ending March 31, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Bob Bjornerud".

Bob Bjornerud
Minister of Agriculture

Letters of Transmittal



June 2009

The Honourable Bob Bjornerud
Minister of Agriculture

Sir:

In accordance with section 20 of *The Agri-Food Act, 2004*, I submit herewith the 2008-09 Annual Report of the Agri-Food Council.

As expected, the 2008-09 fiscal year was a busy one for this new council. In addition to the council fulfilling its mandate of supervising and monitoring the 17 agri-food agencies under its jurisdiction, the council also met with a number of national and provincial agency representatives to encourage the growth of our agri-food industries and to fortify the direction of that growth. As well, the council worked with producer groups to develop a new development commission, the Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association, and worked to advance the formation of new agencies, including a potential camelina commission.

Since the council is new, we have taken the initiative to develop new policies and procedures guidelines that will ensure accountability and transparency in council operations. We are also formulating a new strategic plan that will aid the council in successfully and proactively supervising, monitoring and guiding the province's agri-food agencies throughout its term.

The council would like to congratulate the existing agencies on their successes and thank them for their continued co-operation. The council is pleased to report that overall compliance in 2008-09 was excellent. The council will continue to ensure that the full reporting requirements are met by all agencies. It is very important that the highest level of accountability be exercised to ensure that the trust producers have invested in these agencies is maintained.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Bob Tyler". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Bob Tyler, Chairperson

Agri-Food Council

Vision Statement

To create an environment for sustained growth where Saskatchewan-based producers and processors can become international leaders.

Established in 1990*, the Agri-Food Council is appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council to monitor the activities of the agri-food agencies established under *The Agri-Food Act, 2004* (Act). Under the authority of the Act, the council plays a regulatory, advisory and supervisory role in the agri-food industry, as described below:

(1) The council ensures that each of its supervised agencies is compliant with the terms and conditions of the Act, its regulations and each agency's regulations and orders. In doing so, the council advises and updates Saskatchewan's Minister of Agriculture on the operation and administration of the agencies operating under the Act and provides recommendations to the Minister on how to proceed with various agency matters.

(2) As a regulator, the council reviews proposed marketing and development plans, determines whether public meetings or hearings should be called in respect to the proposed plans, conducts producer votes and makes recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor in Council or the Minister on whether or not to amend or to terminate such plans. The council also approves all agency orders to ensure compliance with the Act and its regulations, consults with agencies on issues relating to federal-provincial marketing agreements, and reviews each supervised agency's policies, programs, activities and strategic plans.

(3) The council investigates issues relating to commission and board policies. A separate appeal body appointed under the Act — the Agri-Food Appeal Committee — hears appeals relating to agency issues which violate the Act, its regulations, or the regulations or orders of an agency.

As a proactive and progressive board, the council is guided by the following values and principles:

- open, fair and decisive actions and discussions;
- positive communication and consultation with the parties that it supervises;
- accountability for actions affecting the public interest;
- leadership in developing and supporting competitive agriculture and food industries;
- compliance with orders and regulations under the Act; and the
- active development of opportunities that will work to fulfill Saskatchewan's agri-food production and marketing potential.

The Agri-Food Act, 2004 provides the framework for the promotion, development, regulation and control of Saskatchewan's agri-food production. To form an agency under the Act, in co-operation with the council and its staff, producers of one or more agri-food products work together to prepare a development or marketing plan that will guide the operation of the proposed agency. If the proposed agency plan meets all of the requirements set forth in the Act and the Lieutenant Governor in Council has assented, the agency is established and a producer-elected and operated commission or board is formed that administers the agency's plan. Under the authority of the Act, producer-operated commissions and boards collect either mandatory refundable or mandatory non-refundable levies (check-offs), the funds from which are used for research, development and/or marketing initiatives.

In 2008-09, the Agri-Food Council was responsible for monitoring 17 provincial agencies. Presented below is a description of the three agency types that may be established under the Act, as well as a listing of each of the agencies currently supervised by the council.

Development Commissions – A development commission is dedicated to the promotion and development of the production and/or marketing of a particular agricultural industry. Refundable levies (check-offs) allow commissions to support research that improves producer productivity and profitability and reduces producer input costs. Commission-funded research usually provides returns to producers far exceeding the value of their contributed levies (check-offs).

*The Agri-Food Council replaced the Saskatchewan Natural Products Marketing Council, the supervisory body established under the legislation replaced by *The Agri-Food Act, 2004*.

Saskatchewan's 10 development commissions are:

- Saskatchewan Alfalfa Seed Producers Development Commission;
- Saskatchewan Beekeepers Development Commission;
- Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association;
- Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan;
- Saskatchewan Canola Development Commission;
- Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission;
- Saskatchewan Forage Seed Development Commission;
- Saskatchewan Mustard Development Commission;
- Saskatchewan Oat Development Commission; and
- Saskatchewan Winter Cereals Development Commission.

Development Boards - A development board is very similar to a development commission in that both are dedicated to the promotion and development of the production and/or marketing of a particular agricultural industry. However, unlike a development commission, a development board is funded by a non-refundable levy (check-off). Consequently, development boards are more difficult to organize since, before the board is established, the Lieutenant Governor in Council must be convinced that the levy (check-off) is supported by the majority of the industry, as confirmed by a producer vote. Saskatchewan's three development boards are:

- Sask Pork;
- Saskatchewan Pulse Growers; and
- Saskatchewan Sheep Development Board.

Marketing Boards - A marketing board administers a supply-managed marketing plan that allows the board to regulate and control the production of a specific agricultural commodity through the use of quotas. As well, marketing boards actively promote and develop their product. To support their operations, marketing board legislation empowers these boards to charge and to collect a non-refundable levy (check-off).

Saskatchewan's four marketing boards are:

- Saskatchewan Broiler Hatching Egg Producers Marketing Board;
- Chicken Farmers of Saskatchewan;
- Saskatchewan Egg Producers; and
- Saskatchewan Turkey Producers' Marketing Board.

2008-09 Agri-Food Council Members

Bob Tyler, Chairperson	Saskatoon
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Hubert Esquirol	Meota

Staff

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The fiscal year of the council is from April 1 to March 31.

Brief Overview

The 2008-09 fiscal year saw the formation of an entirely new Agri-Food Council. Given the extensive size and scope of the agri-food industry supervised by the council, this year has been a welcomed learning process for the new council members. Thus far, the council has met with many of its supervised agencies and is attempting to meet with representatives from all of its supervised agencies in the near future. As well, the council has devoted time to learning about the major issues facing both the provincial and the national agri-food agencies and has discussed various options for involvement in those issues.

Internally, the council is working to complete a new strategic plan. This will guide the council as it strives to become a more proactive supervisory board that is seen as a support system that the supervised agencies can rely on to further advance the success of their respective agri-food industries. At this point, the council has taken two major steps:

1. The council is developing a governance training program that will address some of the governance issues currently experienced by the agencies; and
2. The council is making plans to become a more active player at various provincial and national agri-food meetings.

Additionally, during the 2008-09 fiscal year, the Agri-Food Council continued to carry out its mandate to supervise the activities and the administration of the commissions and boards operating under *The Agri-Food Act, 2004*. The council is committed to continuing to work closely with all agencies to ensure that all reporting requirements are met in a timely fashion.

In October of 2004, *The Agri-Food Act* was repealed and replaced by *The Agri-Food Act, 2004*. The transition to the new Act was smooth and progress continues to update the pre-existing

agency regulations to ensure that they conform to the new Act. In January of 2009, the regulations for the Saskatchewan Alfalfa Seed Producers Development Commission were repealed and replaced. Also, in January of 2009, the regulations for the Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association were completed. During the upcoming fiscal year, council staff will continue to work with agencies to update their regulations. The plan for this fiscal year is to complete the regulation updates for canaryseed, pulse, mustard, forage seed, canola, cattle and seed potatoes, as well as to develop regulations for any new agencies.

In 2000, following a recommendation by the Agri-Food Council, the Ministry of Agriculture suspended and assumed several of the administrative powers granted to the Chicken Farmers of Saskatchewan (CFS) due to major issues with quota allocation, internal board operational issues and overall questionable governance. Following the board's removal, a government representative with administrative powers was put in place to oversee the activities of the CFS. Under the government's supervision, the operations of the CFS markedly improved. Consequently, the Agri-Food Council recommended to the Ministry that the powers be returned to the CFS, the order for which was passed by Cabinet on January 14, 2009.

The powers of the Saskatchewan Broiler Hatching Egg Producers' Marketing Board (BHE) were suspended in 2000. Although the government retains the BHE's administrative powers, efforts are being made to resolve outstanding governance issues so that powers can be returned to producers.

In 2007, following a council recommendation, the Minister of Agriculture suspended and assumed select powers of the Saskatchewan Turkey Producers' Marketing Board (STP), in particular, the powers associated with the national turkey agency's allocation of provincial quota. Since that time, these issues have been successfully resolved and, in January of 2009, an Order in Council was approved by Cabinet to return the STP's powers.

Report of Activities

Supervision of Commissions and Boards

As part of its responsibility to supervise boards and commissions operating under *The Agri-Food Act, 2004*, the council reviewed the meeting minutes of commissions and boards, as well as all annual reports and financial statements (and accompanying reports). In addition, council members and staff attended various meetings of commissions and boards, including agency annual general meetings, and reported back to the council. Furthermore, council staff attended meetings of the National Association of Agri-Food Supervisory Agencies (NAASA) in Quebec City and Ottawa and participated in numerous NAASA teleconferences.

Marketing Plan Reviews

No new marketing plans were submitted to the council for review during 2008-09.

Development Plan Reviews

In January of 2009, the Lieutenant Governor in Council approved the formation of a new development commission, the Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association and its regulations (*The Cattle Development Plan Regulations*). Also in January of 2009, following a successful producer vote, the Lieutenant Governor in Council approved the formation of the Saskatchewan Seed Potato Development Board. As of March of 2009, the regulations for this new board were being drafted.

In March of 2009, the council received a draft development plan proposal for a camelina development commission. Throughout the next fiscal year, the council and its staff will continue to work with the camelina representatives to develop their plan.

National Activities

National Marketing Agencies

The Agri-Food Council is a signatory to three federal-provincial agreements (FPAs) that provide the basis for the operation of the national

marketing agencies for chicken (Chicken Farmers of Canada), turkey (Turkey Farmers of Canada), and eggs (Egg Farmers of Canada). These national agencies are producer-driven, supply management organizations, with representation from downstream sectors. Their primary mandate is to manage the supply of primary poultry products across Canada according to the terms specified in the FPAs.

Each national agency allocates production quota among participating provincial commodity boards, who in turn allocate their provincial allocations to individual producers within their provincial boundaries. The national agencies target production to meet market demand at a price that covers the average producer's production costs and provides a reasonable return on producer investment.

As a signatory to each of the three FPAs, the Agri-Food Council is responsible for participating in matters relating to the monitoring of the operation of the national marketing systems and in activities that improve the performance of those systems. In doing so, the Agri-Food Council co-operates with other supervisory agencies as a member of the National Association of Agri-Food Supervisory Agencies. The Agri-Food Council also co-operates with its national counterpart, the National Farm Products Council, in its primary role as supervisor of the national marketing agencies.

Progress on renewing the FPAs was halted during the 2008-09 fiscal year due to Saskatchewan's involvement in two judicial review cases, the first of which (eggs) is concluded and the other (turkey) is being withdrawn. With these obstacles removed, the 2009-10 fiscal year should bring continued work on these endeavours.

In 2007, Saskatchewan requested membership in the Canadian Hatching Egg Producers Marketing Board (CHEP). At that time, the organization was close to finalizing its renewed FPAs. Consequently, the parties decided that Saskatchewan would be a signatory to the new FPA and until that agreement was in place, Saskatchewan would be included within CHEP through the use of a service agreement signed in 2008.

The service agreement allows Saskatchewan to enjoy most of the benefits of being a CHEP member, including access to industry information and participation in the national quota allocation formula, as well as CHEP meetings and committees. The downfall of this agreement is that Saskatchewan cannot cast a vote on issues relating to the national allocation system or on matters that involve the exercising of CHEP's statutory powers.

During CHEP's March Annual General Meeting, progress towards the adoption of a new FPA was further advanced. It is expected that within the next fiscal year, the new CHEP FPA will be signed and fully operational. When Saskatchewan signs this new FPA, the service agreement with CHEP will expire.

Saskatchewan's major national success this year was the settlement of the dispute between the Saskatchewan Egg Producers (SEP) and the Egg Farmers of Canada (EFC), a dispute which began in 2000. The central issue was Saskatchewan's portion of the national quota allocation and the process applied when setting that allocation. By way of a unanimous vote at the March 2009 EFC Annual General Meeting, the EFC board agreed to allocate 4.76 per cent of all national quota to Saskatchewan and that the allocation of this quota would not be subject to any manipulation by any allocation equation, thus addressing both of Saskatchewan's issues. This agreement became effective immediately after the board accepted the agreement and has no expiry date. Both the SEP and the EFC are pleased to bring this dispute to a close.

National Association of Agri-Food Supervisory Agencies (NAASA)

In 2008-09, Saskatchewan continued to participate as an active member of NAASA. The NAASA mandate is "to assist the agri-food industry by sharing information, providing direction and supporting an environment that promotes its development and prosperity."

NAASA's primary objectives for this fiscal year were to develop a NAASA principles paper and to work to understand and to be an active participant in resolving the numerous problems facing the national chicken industry.

2008-09 Council Review of Commission and Board Activities

Each agency is required to submit on an annual basis the following five reports to the Agri-Food Council:

- an audit report on the financial statements;
- an audit report on the rules and procedures to safeguard and control agency assets;
- an audit report on compliance with authorities;
- a comparison of actual results to planned results in the audited financial statements; and
- a payee list with board-of-director approved thresholds disclosed.

Unless otherwise noted, each agency was successful in completing and submitting these five reports to the council for the current fiscal year.

Each agency's board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements. The agency's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually.

A summary of each agency follows.

Development Commissions

Saskatchewan Alfalfa Seed Producers Development Commission

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Miles Wendell	Regina

Wayne Goerzen, Executive Director Saskatoon

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The Saskatchewan Alfalfa Seed Producers Development Commission (SASDC) was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the SASDC's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of check-off refunded, a review of the SASDC's meeting minutes and activities report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SASDC met all reporting requirements and the Agri-Food Council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The commission's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are annually audited by Merv Culham, CA. The board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with SASDC's regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of \$0.0075 per pound of alfalfa seed marketed at the first point of sale. Producers may request a refund of any or all of the check-off paid.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$104,527	\$ 201,033
Check-off Refunds	(13,997)	(15,651)
Refund %	13.4%	7.8%
Other Revenue	<u>22,247</u>	<u>4,333</u>
Total Revenue	112,777	189,715
Total Expenditures	<u>86,164</u>	<u>135,027</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>26,613</u>	<u>54,688</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$311,739</u>	<u>\$284,369</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SASDC at the above address.

Saskatchewan Beekeepers Development Commission

P.O. Box 55, R.R. 3
Yorkton, SK S3N 2X5
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Wink Howland, Secretary/Treasurer Yorkton

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The Saskatchewan Beekeepers Development Commission (SBDC) was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2008 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the SBDC's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the refunded check-off percentage, a review of the SBDC's meeting minutes and activities report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SBDC met all other reporting requirements and the Agri-Food Council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SBDC's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by ParkerQuine LLP. The commission's board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SBDC's regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of \$0.50 per producing colony by beekeepers that annually produce 100 or more colonies. Beekeepers who produce less than 100 colonies annually can voluntarily submit a \$0.50 per producing colony check-off. Beekeepers may request a refund of any or all of the check-off paid.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$35,181	\$ 35,824
Check-off Refunds	(2,842)	(1,083)
Refund %	8.1%	3%
Other Revenue	<u>(1,654)</u>	<u>4,299</u>
Total Revenue	30,685	39,040
Total Expenditures	<u>28,064</u>	<u>28,514</u>
Operating Surplus		
(Deficit) for the year	<u>2,621</u>	<u>10,526</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$40,503</u>	<u>\$37,772</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SBDC at the above address.

Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan

502 - 45 Street West, Second Floor
Saskatoon, SK S7L 6H2
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Fax: (306) 244-4497

2008-09 Board of Directors

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The Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan (CDCS) was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the CDCS Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the refunded check-off percentage, a review of the CDCS meeting minutes, activities report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the CDCS met all reporting requirements and the Agri-Food Council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The CDCS system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP. The commission's board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements. The check-off is collected and recorded by a third-party with a system of checks and balances to ensure accuracy.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the CDCS regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of \$1.75 per net tonne of canaryseed marketed at the first point of sale. Producers may request a refund of any or all of the check-off paid.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$ 315,644	\$ 295,800
Check-off Refunds	(14,995)	(13,863)
Refund %	4.8%	4.7%
Other Revenue	<u>16,300</u>	<u>817</u>
Total Revenue	316,949	282,754
Total Expenditures	<u>184,956</u>	<u>52,047</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>131,993</u>	<u>230,707</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 462,828</u>	<u>\$ 329,505</u>

Registered producers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the CDCS at the above address.

Saskatchewan Canola Development Commission

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Saskatoon, SK S7N 3R2

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Catherine Folkersen, Executive Director Saskatoon

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The Saskatchewan Canola Development Commission (SCDC) was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the SCDC's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of check-off that was refunded, a review of the SCDC's meeting minutes, activities report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SCDC met all reporting requirements and the Agri-Food Council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SCDC's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP. The commission's board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

The SCDC collects its own check-off and is also contracted to collect the check-offs for the Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission, the Saskatchewan Mustard Development Commission, the Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan, the Saskatchewan Oat Development Commission and the Saskatchewan Winter Cereals Development Commission.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SCDC's regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of \$0.75 per metric tonne of all canola and canola-quality *Brassica juncea* marketed at the first point of sale. Producers may request a refund of any or all of the check-off paid.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$3,008,787	\$2,840,965
Check-off Refunds	(222,271)	(200,376)
Refund %	7.4%	7.1%
Other Revenue	<u>427,602</u>	<u>288,182</u>
Total Revenue	3,214,118	2,928,771
Total Expenditures	<u>3,036,144</u>	<u>2,866,011</u>
Operating Surplus		
(Deficit) for the year	<u>177,974</u>	<u>62,760</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$3,664,212</u>	<u>\$3,309,645</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SCDC at the above address.

Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission

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2007-08 Board of Directors

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Linda Braun, Executive Director	Saskatoon
Dr. Gordon Rowland, Board Advisor	Saskatoon
Alvin Ulrich, Fiber Specialist	Saskatoon

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The Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission (SFDC) was successful in completing and submitting the five required reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the SFDC's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of refunded check-offs, a review of the meeting minutes and activities report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SFDC met all reporting requirements and the Agri-Food Council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SFDC's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Merv Culham, CA. The board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements. Their check-off is collected and recorded by a third-party with a system of checks and balances to ensure accuracy.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SFDC's regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of \$1.18 per tonne on all flaxseed marketed and \$0.50 per tonne on all flax straw marketed at the first point of sale. Producers may request a refund of any or all of the check-off paid.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$ 557,827	\$ 725,407
Check-off Refunds	(31,540)	(30,080)
Refund %	5.7%	4.1%
Other Revenue	<u>376,301</u>	<u>135,662</u>
Total Revenue	902,588	830,989
Total Expenditures	<u>756,474</u>	<u>672,122</u>
Operating Surplus		
(Deficit) for the year	<u>146,114</u>	<u>158,867</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$1,183,102</u>	<u>\$1,060,082</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SFDC at the above address.

Saskatchewan Forage Seed Development Commission

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2007-08 Board of Directors

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Roger Kirk	Nipawin
Clayton Myhre	Nipawin
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Garth Lyons (resigned)	Nipawin
Phil Curry, Executive Director	Melfort

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The Saskatchewan Forage Seed Development Commission (SFSDC) was successful in completing and submitting all required reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the required reports, several other aspects of the SFSDC Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of refunded check-off, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SFSDC met all reporting requirements and the Agri-Food Council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SFSDC's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Merv Culham, CA. The board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with the applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SFSDC's regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of 0.75 per cent of the gross value of forage seed marketed at the first point of sale. Producers may request a refund of any or all of the check-off paid.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$ 58,215	\$ 57,035
Less: Check-off Refunds	2.2%	10.7%
Refund Portion	(1,308)	(6,121)
Other Revenue	<u>58</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Revenue	56,965	50,914
Total Expenditures	<u>15,910</u>	<u>17,267</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>41,055</u>	<u>33,647</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$114,891</u>	<u>\$ 89,560</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SFSDC at the above address.

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2007-08 Board of Directors

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Erroll Simington	Kincaid

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Adele Buettner, General Manager	Saskatoon

Annual Report Review Fiscal year end - July 31

The Saskatchewan Mustard Development Commission (SMDC) was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the required five reports, several other aspects of the SMDC's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of check-offs refunded, a review of the SMDC's meeting minutes, activities report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SMDC met all reporting requirements and the Agri-Food Council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SMDC's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP. The commission's board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements. Their check-off is collected and recorded by a third-party with a system of checks and balances to ensure accuracy.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SMDC's regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of 0.50 per cent of the gross value of mustard marketed at the first point of sale. Producers may request a refund of any or all check-off paid.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$ 405,493	\$ 185,167
Check-off Refunds	(23,846)	(8,893)
Refund %	5.9%	4.8%
Other Revenue	<u>857,274</u>	<u>42,422</u>
Total Revenue	1,238,921	218,696
Total Expenditures	<u>994,334</u>	<u>209,723</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>244,587</u>	<u>8,973</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 652,235</u>	<u>\$ 334,326</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SMDC at the above address.

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Jack Shymko	Ituna
Michael Spilchuk	Ituna

Jack Dawes, Executive Director Saltcoats

Annual Report Review Fiscal year end - July 31

The Saskatchewan Oat Development Commission (SODC) was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the required five reports, several other aspects of the SODC's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of check-off that was refunded, a review of their meeting minutes, activities report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SODC met all reporting requirements and the council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SODC's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are annually audited by ParkerQuine LLP. The commission's board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SODC's regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of \$0.50 per tonne of oats marketed at the first point of sale. Producers may request a refund of any or all check-off paid.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$ 835,514	\$ 576,377
Less: Check-off Refunds	(32,422)	(21,312)
Refund %	3.9%	3.7%
Other Revenue	<u>50,366</u>	<u>4,490</u>
Total Revenue	853,458	559,555
Total Expenditures	<u>209,006</u>	<u>94,508</u>
Operating Surplus		
(Deficit) for the year	<u>644,452</u>	<u>465,046</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$1,192,921</u>	<u>\$ 481,280</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SODC at the above address.

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2007-08 Interim Board of Directors

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Wayne Barsby	Sturgis

Jake Davidson, Executive Director Minnedosa, MB

Annual Report Review Fiscal year end - July 31

The Saskatchewan Winter Cereals Development Commission (SWCDC) was successful in completing and submitting the five required reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the SWCDC's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of check-off that was refunded, a review of the meeting minutes, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SWCDC met all reporting requirements and the Agri-Food Council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SWCDC's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Merv Culham, CA. The commission's board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SWCDC's regulations and orders, the commission is funded by a check-off of \$0.50 per net tonne of winter cereals marketed at the first point of sale. Producers may request a refund of any or all check-off paid.

	2008	2007
Check-Off Revenue	\$ 170,078	\$ 67,880
Check-Off Refunds	(3,798)	(182)
Refund %	2.2%	0.3%
Other Revenue	<u>2,140</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Revenue	168,420	67,698
Total Expenditures	<u>39,170</u>	<u>23,873</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	\$ 129,250	\$ 43,825
Total Assets	\$ 173,759	\$ 44,509

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SWCDC at the above address.

Orders

The SWCDC exercises powers granted by its development plan through orders. These orders require council approval prior to coming into effect. The council reviewed and approved the following board orders of the SWCDC in the 2008-09 fiscal year:

Order No. 01/08: Grain Brokers, Buyers Agents, Sellers Agents and Grain Dealer Registration
Effective: June 4, 2008

This order requires persons involved in the marketing of winter cereals to register, to charge a commission fee or surcharge for their services and to collect and remit a levy to SWCDC.

Development Boards

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2007-08 Board of Directors

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John Germs	Saskatoon
Jay McGrath	Leroy
Florian Possberg	Humboldt

Neil Ketilson, General Manager Saskatoon

Annual Report Review Fiscal year end - July 31

Sask Pork was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the Sask Pork's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of check-off that was refunded, a review of their meeting minutes, activities report, and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, Sask Pork met all reporting requirements and the council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

Sask Pork's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Meyers Norris Penny LLP. The board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with Sask Pork's regulations and orders, Sask Pork is funded by a check-off of \$0.75 per slaughter hog and sow marketed. Sask Pork also collects a service charge of \$0.75 per slaughter hog, slaughter sow and breeding hog and \$0.20 per early weaned and feeder hog exported live from Canada.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$1,516,898	\$1,601,699
Other Revenue	<u>1,231,441</u>	<u>385,530</u>
Total Revenue	2,748,339	1,987,229
Total Expenditures	<u>2,614,792</u>	<u>2,030,788</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>133,547</u>	<u>(43,559)</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$1,677,450</u>	<u>\$1,505,134</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting Sask Pork at the above address.

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2007-08 Board of Directors

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Barbara Podhorodeski	Shipman
Murray Purcell	Pike Lake
Jeff Sopatyk	Saskatoon

Garth Patterson, Executive Director Saskatoon

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Fiscal year end - August 31

The Saskatchewan Pulse Crop Development Board (SPCDB) was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the SPCDB's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of check-off that was refunded, a review of their meeting minutes, activities report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SPCDB met all reporting requirements and the council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SPCDB's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Hergott Duval Stack LLP. The SPCDB's board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SPCDB's regulations and orders, the board is funded by a non-refundable check-off of one per cent (plus GST) of the gross value of all pulses marketed at the first point of sale.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$ 9,773,330	\$ 6,578,792
Other Revenue	<u>749,672</u>	<u>714,757</u>
Total Revenue	10,523,002	7,293,549
Total Expenditures	<u>6,791,674</u>	<u>5,582,917</u>
Operating Surplus		
(Deficit) for the year	<u>\$ 3,731,328</u>	<u>\$ 1,710,632</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$10,086,575</u>	<u>\$ 6,372,511</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SPCDB at the above address.

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2007-08 Board of Directors

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Randy Jordon	Raymore
David Meynberg	Maidstone

Gord Schroeder, Executive Director Saskatoon

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Fiscal year end - September 30

The Saskatchewan Sheep Development Board (SSDB) was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the SSDB's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and the percentage of check-off that was refunded, a review of their meeting minutes, activities report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SSDB met all reporting requirements and the council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SSDB's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by HVB Chartered Accountants Prof. Corp. The board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SSDB's regulations and orders, the board is funded by a non-refundable check-off. The SSDB implemented a check-off increase of \$0.50 effective February of 2009, thereby raising their check-off to \$1.50 per marketed sheep. The check-off is applied at the time of purchase of Canadian Sheep Identification Program ear tags.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-off Revenue	\$ 56,856	\$ 65,754
Other Revenue	<u>313,783</u>	<u>256,907</u>
Total Revenue	370,639	322,661
Total Expenditures	<u>389,906</u>	<u>330,018</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>(19,267)</u>	<u>(7,357)</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 239,046</u>	<u>\$ 50,385</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SSDB at the above address.

Orders

The SSDB exercises certain powers granted by its development plan through orders. These orders require council approval prior to coming into effect. The council reviewed and approved the following board order in the 2008-09 fiscal year:

Order No. 18/09: Service Charges

Effective: February 3, 2009

This order increases the service charge by \$0.50 and designates the administration of the service charge to the board.

Marketing Boards

Saskatchewan Broiler Hatching Egg Producers' Marketing Board

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Government Representative with Administrative Powers, 2008

Roy White Regina

Management, 2008

Clinton Monchuk, CEO Saskatoon

Annual Report Review Fiscal year end - December 31

The Saskatchewan Broiler Hatching Egg Producers' (BHE) Marketing Board was successful in completing and submitting the required five reports to the council for the 2008 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, the following additional aspects of the BHE Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration and a review of the meeting minutes and activities report.

Overall, the BHE met all reporting requirements and the council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The BHE's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Dudley & Company LLP. Mr. White and Mr. Monchuk are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

During the 2008 fiscal year, the BHE collected \$96,880 in levies. In accordance with the agency's regulations and orders, the levy is \$0.0032 per quota unit. This levy is mandatory and non-refundable.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Board Levies	\$ 96,880	\$ 96,880
Other Revenue	<u>58,809</u>	<u>1,600</u>
Total Revenue	155,689	98,480
Total Expenditures	<u>125,974</u>	<u>90,829</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>29,715</u>	<u>7,651</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$155,733</u>	<u>\$215,874</u>

Registered producers and buyers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the BHE at the above address.

Government Representative with Administrative Powers

Through Lieutenant Governor's Order in Council #283/2000, dated May 30, 2000, the Minister of Agriculture assumed many of the powers of the BHE Board and then delegated those powers to an independent government representative with administrative powers.

This government representative is charged with the following tasks:

- carrying out quota allocation, pricing and levy collection duties and procedures;
- resolving industry disputes; and
- exploring with industry new decision-making structures that may prevent delays in industry progress.

Orders

The BHE was granted specific powers that can be exercised in its marketing plan through the use of orders. These orders require council approval prior to coming into effect. The council reviewed and approved the following BHE order in 2008-09:

Order No. 47/08: Over-Marketing Penalties for 2007

Effective: April 18, 2008

Due to the unique circumstances that producers faced in 2007, specifically the Avian Influenza outbreak and its resulting fall-out, the BHE Board deemed it unnecessary to penalize over-marketing producers. The purpose of this order is therefore to exempt producers who over-marketed in 2007 from being charged an over-marketing penalty.

Chicken Farmers of Saskatchewan

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2008 Board of Directors

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Mike Picard	Saskatoon
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Tim Keet	Grandora
Clinton Monchuk, CEO	Saskatoon

Government Representative with Administrative Powers

Roy White (effective until January 14, 2009) Regina

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Fiscal year end - December 31

The Chicken Farmers of Saskatchewan (CFS) Board was successful in completing and submitting the five required reports to the council for the 2008 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the CFS' Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration, a review of their meeting minutes, activities report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the CFS met all reporting requirements and the council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The CFS' system of internal control, legislative compliance, and financial statements are audited annually by Dudley & Company LLP. The board of directors and management are responsible for

establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with the applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

During the 2008 fiscal year, the CFS collected \$613,740 in check-offs. In accordance with the CFS' regulations and orders, the board's applied check-off is \$0.016 per live kilogram of chicken marketed. The check-off is mandatory and non-refundable.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Board Check-offs	\$ 613,740	\$ 602,898
Other Revenue	<u>272,487</u>	<u>95,910</u>
Total Revenue	886,227	698,808
Total Expenditures	<u>694,256</u>	<u>805,158</u>
Operating Surplus		
(Deficit) for the year	<u>191,971</u>	<u>(106,350)</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 816,361</u>	<u>\$ 643,855</u>

Registered producers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the CFS at the above address

Government Representative with Administrative Powers

Through Lieutenant Governor's Order in Council #282/2000, dated May 30, 2000, the Minister of Agriculture assumed many of the powers of the CFS and then delegated those powers to an independent government representative with administrative powers.

This government representative is charged with the following tasks:

- carrying out quota allocation, pricing, and check-off collection duties and procedures;
- resolving industry disputes; and
- exploring with industry new decision-making structures that may prevent delays in industry progress.

On January 14, 2009, the Lieutenant Governor in Council reinstated all of the CFS' powers as outlined in their regulations.

Production

There were 75 licensed producers in 2008. The 2008 broiler base production for Saskatchewan was 52,367,480 live kilograms.

Year	Number of Birds	Live Weight (kg)	Average Weight (kg)
2008	25,231,200	52,367,480	2.08
2007	24,517,000	52,369,000	2.13
2006	23,792,734	51,544,570	2.20
2005	23,383,724	45,880,416	1.96
2004	25,266,796	44,901,444	1.78
2003	23,004,442	41,371,638	1.80
2002	21,409,775	40,620,973	1.90
2001	19,781,770	37,431,205	1.89
2000	16,937,235	32,414,857	1.91
1999	14,601,629	26,428,949	1.81
1998	12,122,181	21,941,147	1.81
1997	12,049,705	21,809,966	1.81

Orders

The CFS exercises powers granted by its marketing plan through orders. These orders require council approval prior to coming into effect. The council reviewed and approved the following board orders of the CFS in the 2008-09 fiscal year:

Order No. 39/08: Registered Producer

Effective: November 6, 2008

This order clarifies the definition and the rights and responsibilities of a "registered producer". This clarification is necessary to allow the CFS to administer the supply management system more efficiently.

Order No. 40/08: Base Quota Limits

Effective: November 6, 2008

This order clarifies the provisions governing the ownership of base quota, provisions that were previously outlined in Order #34/06. This order was implemented to simplify the process of identifying an individual's corporate interest in an egg operation, especially in cases where an individual has financial interests in a number of corporations/entities.

Order No. 41/08: Base Quota Leasing

Effective: November 6, 2008

This order limits the purchase of quota for production purposes and prevents the purchase of quota solely for investment purposes.

Order No. 42/08: Communal Group Production Allowance Quota

Effective: February 3, 2009

This order establishes the provisions governing the allocation of communal group production quota.

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2008 Board of Directors

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Joseph Mandel	Tompkins
Jim Teichrob	Saskatoon
Joey Smith, General Manager	Regina

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Fiscal year end - December 31

The Saskatchewan Egg Producers (SEP) was successful in completing and submitting the five required reports to the council for the 2008 fiscal year.

In addition to the five required reports, several other aspects of the SEP's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration, a review of their meeting minutes, activities report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Overall, the SEP met all reporting requirements and the council had no significant concerns.

Administration and Finance

The SEP's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by KPMG LLP. The board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the SEP's regulations and orders, the check-off applied by the board is \$0.075 per dozen eggs marketed. This check-off is mandatory and non-refundable.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Check-offs	\$7,584,585	\$8,606,068
Less: EFC Check-off	(5,920,697)	(6,852,571)
Less: EFC Settlement (2008 Only)	(350,000)	-
Net Check-off	1,313,888	1,753,497
Other Revenue	29,967	253,113
Total Revenue	1,343,855	2,006,610
Total Expenditures	1,361,823	1,684,824
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>(17,968)</u>	<u>321,786</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$1,557,228</u>	<u>\$2,049,156</u>

Registered producers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the SEP at the above address.

Production

There were 65 licensed producers in 2008. The 2008 table egg production for Saskatchewan was 23.67 million dozen eggs produced by 901,804 layers.

Year	Number of Layers	Production (million dozen)
2008	901,804	23.67
2007	890,073	23.00
2006	890,960	23.12
2005	858,809	22.68
2004	805,903	19.66
2003	783,935	19.51
2002	781,884	19.75
2001	788,723	19.52
2000	787,668	19.07
1999	773,661	18.64
1998	753,686	18.04
1997	747,607	17.79

Orders

The SEP exercises the powers granted by its marketing plan through orders. These orders require council approval prior to coming into effect. The council reviewed and approved the following SEP board orders in 2008-09:

Order No. 42/08: Start Clean-Stay Clean™

Effective: November 6, 2008

This order ensures that egg production facilities in Saskatchewan are in compliance with the national egg on-farm food safety program of the same name that was developed by and is administered by the Egg Farmers of Canada. The Start Clean-Stay Clean™ Program meets Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) standards and is recognized by and certified by CFIA to address egg production facility bio-security and food safety.

This order requires that all egg producers score 90 per cent or better under the program. Meeting this requirement ensures that all producers are eligible for full compensation under the Egg Farmers of Canada's Salmonella Compensation Program. This program is available to producers who are dealing with an infection that causes the re-routing of eggs or the depopulation of birds.

Order No. 43/08: Animal Care

Effective: November 6, 2008

This order requires that Saskatchewan egg production facilities meet the national animal care recommendations by ensuring that birds have adequate space to maintain optimum health and comfort. Implementation of these standards also enhances the productivity and competitiveness of Saskatchewan's egg industry.

Order No. 44/08: Production Efficiency

Effective: February 3, 2009

This order addresses the need to have flexibility in production placement at certain times. There are instances at the start or conclusion of a quota lease when a producer has too many birds. Prior to this order, the only choice was to dispose of those excess birds, which were, in some cases, young, healthy and in the middle of their production cycle. This solution is unsatisfactory from both a business and an animal welfare perspective. Consequently, this order allows a producer to temporarily produce in excess so that these birds do not have to be destroyed.

These situations are evaluated on a case-by-case basis and are only approved by the SEP board in exceptional circumstances.

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2007-08 Board of Directors

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Annual Report Review Fiscal year end – December 31, 2008

The Saskatchewan Turkey Producers' Marketing Board (STP) was successful in completing and submitting to the council the required reports for the 2008 fiscal year

In addition to the evaluation of the submitted reports, several other aspects of the STP's Annual Report were reviewed, including an analysis of the dollars spent on programs and administration, a review of the meeting minutes, marketing report and state of the industry report, and a verification of the list of directors included in the annual report.

Administration and Finance

The STP's system of internal control, legislative compliance and financial statements are audited annually by Hergott Duval Stack & Partners LLP. The board of directors and management are responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control, complying with applicable regulations, maintaining financial records and preparing financial statements.

Summary of Financial Activities

In accordance with the STP's regulations and orders, the board is funded by a mandatory and non-refundable check-off of \$0.02 per live kilogram marketed. During the 2008 fiscal year, the board collected \$119,737 in levies, an increase of 3.6 per cent when compared to 2007 figures.

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Operating Fees	\$142,188	\$140,225
Other Revenue	70,120	59,725
TFC Check-off	<u>119,737</u>	<u>115,584</u>
Total Revenue	332,045	315,534
Total Expenditures	308,794	281,080
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets	—	<u>(1,116)</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>23,251</u>	<u>33,338</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$314,875</u>	<u>\$275,644</u>

Registered producers may request a complete copy of the annual report by contacting the STP at the above address.

Production

There were 13 licensed producers in 2008. The 2008 total production for Saskatchewan was 7,483,539 kilograms (live), an increase of 6.6 per cent over 2007.

Year	Live Weight (kg)
2008	7,483,539
2007	7,023,125
2006	6,405,806
2005	5,760,787
2004	5,676,181
2003	5,870,791
2002	5,649,040
2001	5,876,214
2000	6,113,061
1999	5,407,305
1998	5,837,214
1997	5,726,745



